

PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER: NRS 07.168

APPLICANT: John L. Hewitt, P.E.
Tennessee Department of Transportation
Environmental Planning and Permits Division
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LOCATION: The proposed alteration is located on State Route (SR) 1 over Daddy's Creek in Cumberland County. (35.9193°N, -84.9199°W)

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The proposed alteration would impact Daddy's Creek and is located in the Emory River watershed (HUC # 06010208). Daddy's Creek from highway 127 to its confluence with the Obed River has been determined to be Exceptional Tennessee Waters. Also, Daddy's Creek is a division reference stream for ecoregion 68a. Several federal and state endangered species have been documented in Daddy's Creek. Its lower portion near the confluence with the Obed River is a National Wild and Scenic River. Byrd Creek converges with Daddy's Creek just upstream of the existing bridge. No impacts to Byrd Creek are proposed.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to replace the existing bridge with a concrete girder bridge due to structural deficiencies. The proposed bridge would be 282-feet of 3-span concrete girder bridge. The existing bridge would be removed. Associated with the proposed bridge is 130-feet of bank stabilization (riprap) at the abutments, and storm water outfall ditches on all sides of the bridge abutments. The applicant has proposed to cover the riprap with Virginia Creeper (*Parthenocissu quinquefolia*) as a visual screen.

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Dorton, TN (117-NW)

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Trent Thomas

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the

water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section
7th Floor L & C Annex
401 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments on record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws.

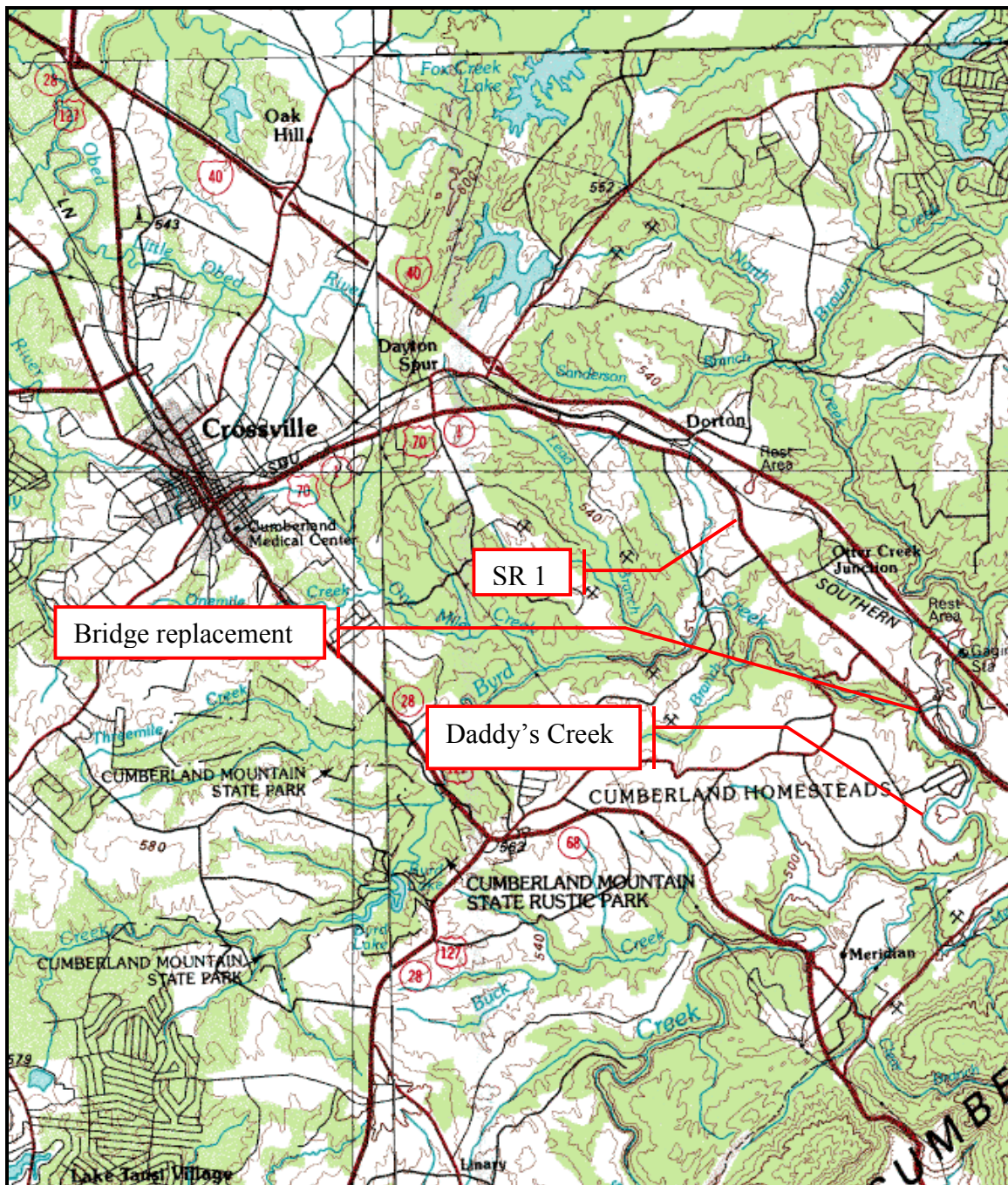


Figure: Approximate location of proposed alteration

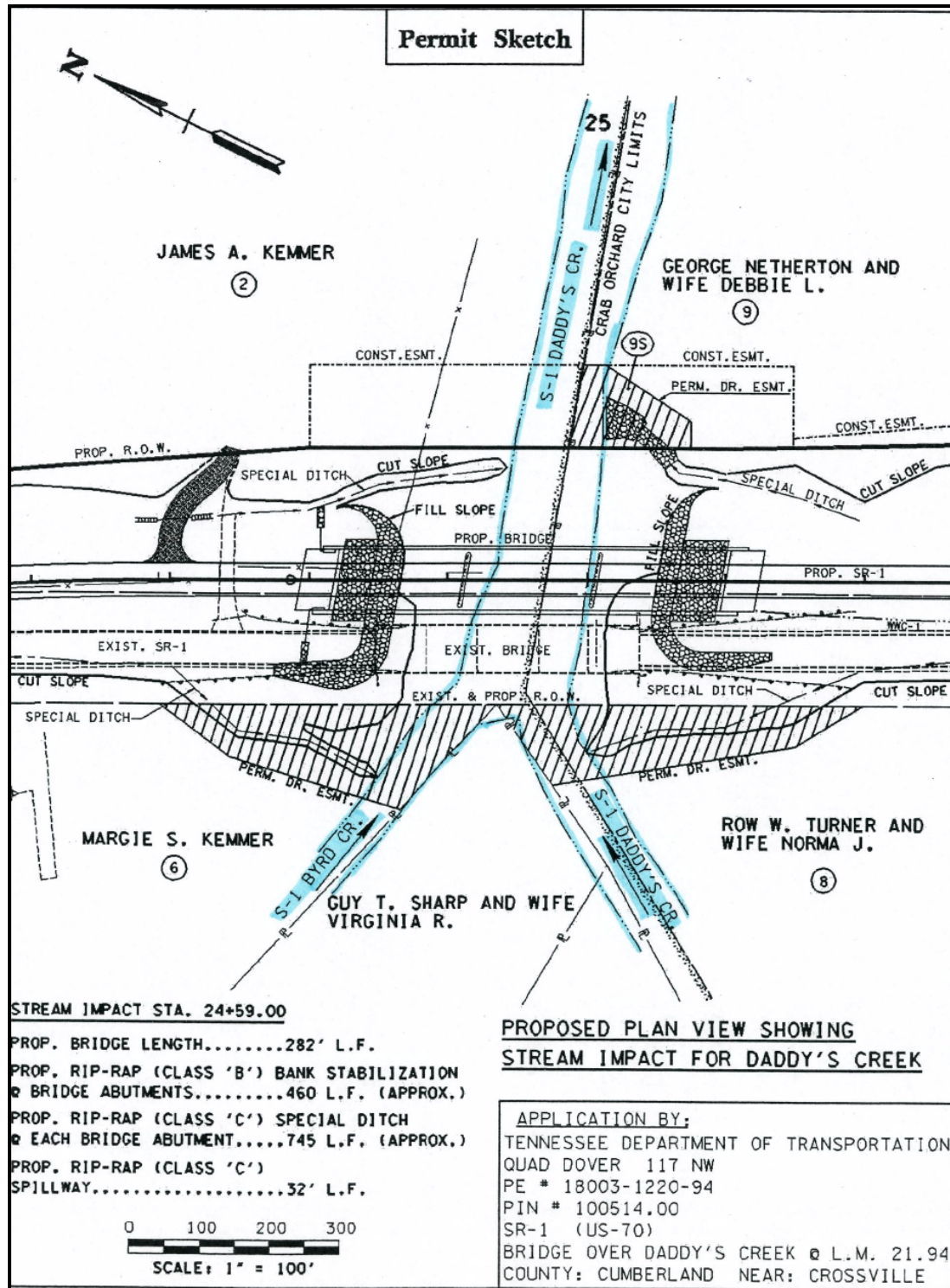


Figure 2: Plan view of proposed bridge replacement

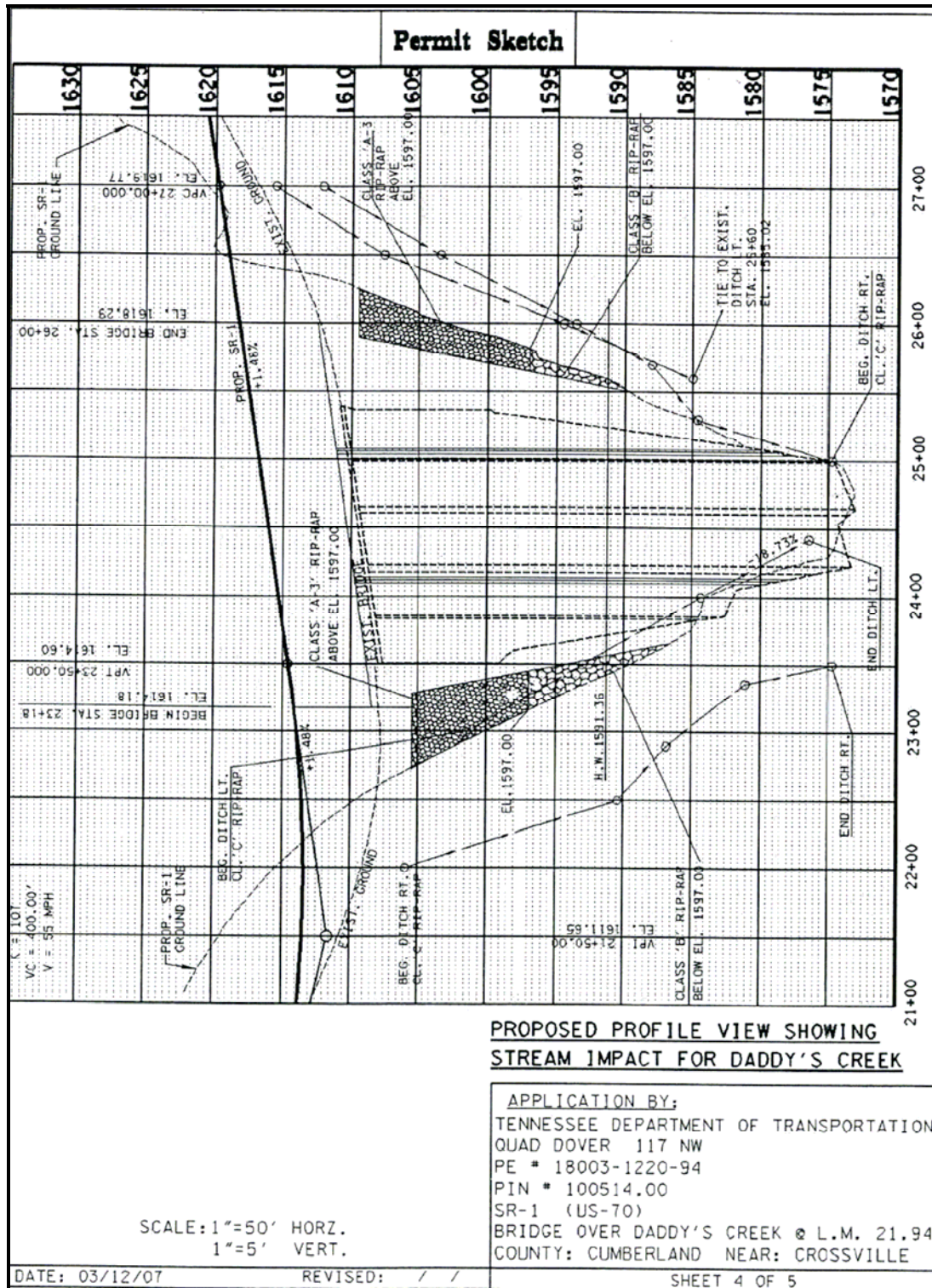




Photo 1. View of bridge and approach looking west.



Photo 2. View of bridge and approach looking east.



Photo 3. View of bridge from north looking upstream

Photographs of the site and bridge